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occur; and *carpe diem* ought to be their motto on the occasion.

We have farther to add to this account of the Cymmrodorion, that their Second Report, under the title of "Transactions," will speedily make its appearance. It will comprise about ten or a dozen articles, some of them of considerable interest,—and will form a volume, about as large, we should think, as the Quarterly or Edinburgh Review. We hope to be able in our next to announce the time of its publication.

CAMBRIAN SOCIETY IN DYVED.

In a late Number* we recorded some Resolutions which had been recently adopted by the Committee of this Society, the most important of which related to the obtaining of information respecting MSS. and scarce works on Welsh literature and antiquities. Since that time, a circular letter, founded on the resolution, has been transmitted by the Secretary to the several members, and other persons, deemed either to possess or have knowledge of such MSS. or works, which, accordingly, as it evinces the laudable attention of the Committee in promoting a very important object of the Society, and contains information of no small general interest, we shall here transcribe, with the exception of such part only as relates to the private concerns of the Society, for the perusal of our readers.

"*Cardiff*, January 25th, 1822.

"SIR,—I am directed by the Committee of the Cambrian Society in Dyved, to request you to favour me with your answers to each of the annexed queries †, if possible, but more particularly to the two first relative to MSS. of Welsh Literature, and if such MSS. be in your possession, whether in Latin or Welsh, to transmit a catalogue of them to the Society, accompanied with such remarks on their subjects and supposed authors, as may be deemed useful with a view to publication. It was proposed at the Primary Meeting of this Society, as soon as its finances should be equal to the charge, to collect a complete catalogue of all Welsh MSS. to be found in the several libraries in the Principality, and in England, or on the continent, both public and private; and, now, since the establishment of the Metropolitan Cambrian Institution, and the Societies of Powys, Gwyn-

* See CAMBRO-BRITON, No. 26, p. 253.

† See id. vol. i. p. 73.

edd, and Gwent, it may be reasonably hoped, that, by the co-operation of the several Societies, this most interesting object may be effectually carried into execution. I beg, at the same time, most respectfully to observe, that it is in your power to further, in a great measure, the objects of this Society by exerting yourself to increase the number of its subscribers, and by collecting every information you may think necessary or conducive to the welfare of the Institution. Two volumes, consisting of the successful Essays and Poems recited at the Carmarthen Eisteddvod, together with a selection of other Poems, written on the same occasion, will be speedily published under the superintendence of the Committee, by Mr. Jonathan Harris, who has, very liberally and patriotically, undertaken the expence of printing them, and it is hoped he will be amply remunerated by the sale of them, which you may greatly promote by recommending them to your neighbours. From the acknowledged merit of the respective authors of the Essays and Poems, these volumes must prove a very desirable and interesting accession to Cambrian Literature.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient Servant,

JAMES GRIFFITH, *Secretary.*"

" P. S. All contributions sent to the Society are requested to be directed to the Rev. James Griffith, Carmarthen."

CYMMRODORION IN GWYNEDD.

Information has reached us that there are several candidates for the premium offered by this Society for the best Awdl on His Majesty's visit to Anglesey *, the decision on which was postponed at the Caernarvon Eisteddvod, and farther time allowed to the poets to send in their compositions; and we hear that some of the poems, written on the occasion, possess considerable merit. The Committee, being anxious that a just decision should be made, have submitted them to the examination of well-qualified judges, in whose hands they are at present; but, owing to their being resident at some distance from each other, no small delay has been occasioned, which, however, cannot be of much importance, as there is still ample time for the purpose, a Resolution having been passed that the successful can-

* See CAMBRO-BRITON, No. 23, p. 57.